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**IMAGE SHARING SYSTEM** For

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

delete "claim 1 or". Claim 3, line 1, Claim 4, line 1, change "any one of claims 1 to 3" to --claim 1--. change "any one of claims 1 to 4" to --claim 1--. line 1, Claim 5, change "any one of claims 1 to 4" to --claim 1--Claim 6, line 1,

Please add the following claims 7-20:

--7. The image sharing system of claim 1, wherein the distribution means of the synchronization server receiving content of operations adds identification information for identifying which operation of "distribute to all of the plurality of computers connected via the network", or "distribute to all of the computers connected via the network excluding the computer sending to the synchronization server" is to be performed as attribute

ä E A. W. information for the operation content for content of each operation of the plurality of computers received by the synchronization server.

- 8. The image sharing system of claim 7, wherein each of the plurality of computers connected via the network are provided with operation content transmission means for delaying transmission of operation content to the synchronization server according to content of the operation.
- 9. The image sharing system of claim 2, wherein each of the plurality of computers connected via the network are provided with operation content transmission means for delaying transmission of operation content to the synchronization server according to content of the operation.
- 10. The image sharing system of claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of computers connected via the network are provided with operation content transmission means for delaying transmission of operation content to the synchronization server according to the content of the operation.
- 11. The image sharing system of claim 10, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either customer operated terminal devices of a financial institution or terminal devices operated by an operator.
- 12. The image sharing system of claim 7, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either customer operated terminal devices of a financial institution or terminal devices operated by an operator.

- 13. The image sharing system of claim 1, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either customer operated terminal devices of a financial institution or terminal devices operated by an operator.
- 14. The image sharing system of claim 13, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either personal computers of customers carrying out on-line shopping connected to the internet or computer terminals operated by operators of a merchant-side help desk.
- 15. The image sharing system of claim 7, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either personal computers of customers carrying out on-line shopping connected to the internet or computer terminals operated by operators of a merchant-side help desk.
- 16. The image sharing system of claim 1, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either personal computers of customers carrying out on-line shopping connected to the internet or computer terminals operated by operators of a merchant-side help desk.
- 17. The image sharing system of claim 3, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either customer operated terminal devices of a financial institution or terminal devices operated by an operator.

- 18. The image sharing system of claim 3, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either personal computers of customers carrying out on-line shopping connected to the internet or computer terminals operated by operators of a merchant-side help desk.
- 19. The image sharing system of claim 2, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either customer operated terminal devices of a financial institution or terminal devices operated by an operator.
- 20. The image sharing system of claim 2, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either personal computers carrying out on-line shopping connected to the internet or computer terminals operated by operators of a merchant-side help desk.--

## **REMARKS**

Please enter these changes prior to examination, and prior to calculating the filing fee. Examination of the amended application is respectfully requested.

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